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Chairman Genachowski Names Two Members to the Board of Directors of the Universal Service Administrative Company

CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21

On September 23, 2009, Chairman Julius Genachowski named two members to the Board of Directors of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). In a public notice released on July 21, 2009, the Wireline Competition Bureau solicited nominations to fill two vacancies on the USAC Board of Directors in accordance with the nomination and appointment procedures of section 54.703(c) of the Commission's rules. ¹ The nominations period closed on August 20, 2009. ²

Chairman Genachowski named the following members to the USAC Board of Directors:

- Representative for Commercial Mobile Radio Service Providers: Scott K. Bergmann, Assistant Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, CTIA The Wireless Association ®3
- Representative for Low-Income Consumers: Ellis Jacobs, Senior Attorney, Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc.⁴

The Bureau welcomes Mr. Bergmann and Mr. Jacobs to the USAC Board of Directors and looks forward to working with them. We also remind interested parties that the USAC Board will hold its next

¹ The Wireline Competition Bureau Seeks Nominations for Two Board Member Positions on the Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21, Public Notice, DA 09-1549 (Wireline Comp. Bur. rel. July 21, 2009) (USAC Board Nominations Public Notice); 47 C.F.R. § 54.703(c).

² USAC Board Nominations Public Notice, DA 09-1549 at 1.

³ Mr. Bergmann will be the successor to the Board position vacated by Kevin Joseph on January 22, 2009. Had Mr. Joseph completed his term, it would have run through December 31, 2010. Letter from D. Scott Barash, Acting Chief Executive Officer, Universal Service Administrative Company, to Dana Shaffer, Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21 (dated Jan. 23, 2009) (attaching resignation letter of Kevin Joseph).

⁴ Mr. Jacobs will be the successor to the Board position vacated by Gene Kimmelman on April 20, 2009. Had Mr. Kimmelman completed his term, it would have run through December 31, 2011. Letter from D. Scott Barash, Acting Chief Executive Officer, Universal Service Administrative Company, to Julie Veach, Acting Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21 (dated May 19, 2009) (attaching resignation letter of Gene Kimmelman).

meeting on October 27, 2009, at USAC's Washington, DC office (2000 L Street NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036).⁵ All Board of Directors quarterly meetings are open to the public.⁶

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⁵ Meeting Schedules – USAC Governance – About USAC, http://www.universalservice.org/about/governance/board-directors/meeting-schedules/default.aspx (last visited Sept.

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⁶ 47 C.F.R. § 54.703(e). Further information about the USAC Board of Directors can be found in the Commission's 1997 Report and Order and Second Order on Reconsideration. Changes to the Board of Directors of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc., Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21, Report and Order and Second Order on Reconsideration, 12 FCC Rcd 18400 (1997) (Report and Order and Second Order on Reconsideration).